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OVERLAND PARK MAN SENTENCED FOR ECSTACY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that an Overland Park, Kan., man was sentenced in federal court today for conspiracy to distribute ecstacy.

Ronald Voss, 23, of Overland Park, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Scott O. Wright this morning to six years and three months in federal prison without parole.

On April 4, 2003, **Voss** pleaded guilty to conspiracy to distribute ecstacy. By pleading guilty, Voss admitted that he conspired to distribute the controlled substance between Jan. 1, 2000, and Aug. 16, 2002.

Voss is one of two co-defendants to be convicted for their role in this conspiracy.

On April 16, 2003, **Dennis Aaron Walker**, 26, of Kansas City, Mo., pleaded guilty to conspiracy to distribute ecstacy. **Walker** also admitted that he conspired to distribute ecstacy between Jan. 1, 2000, and Aug. 16, 2002.

Under federal statutes, **Walker** may be subject to a sentence up to 20 years in federal prison without parole, plus a fine up to \$1 million.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael S. Oliver. It was investigated by the United States Customs Service and the Jackson County Drug Task Force.

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